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PART III

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF SCHOOL EDUCATION (EDUCATION-VI BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 14th June, 2023

No. G.S.R. 68/Const./Art.309/2023.-In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, regulating the recruitment and conditions of service of the persons appointed to the Punjab State Elementary Education (Physical Training Instructor) Service, namely:-

RULES

- **1. Short title, commencement and application.-** (1) These rules may be called the Punjab State Elementary Education (Physical Training Instructor) Service Rules, 2023.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
 - (3) They shall apply to the posts specified in Appendix A.
- 2. **Definitions.-**(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-
 - (a) 'Administrative Secretary', where ever appearing in these rules, means the Special Chief Secretary or Additional Chief Secretary or Financial Commissioner or Principal Secretary or Secretary, whosoever is the administrative head of the Department of School Education;
 - (b) 'Appendix' means an Appendix appended to these rules;
 - (c) 'Director' means the Director of School Education (Elementary Education), Punjab or any other authority empowered by the Government from time to time for the purpose of these rules;
 - (d) 'District Education Officer' means the respective District Education Officer (Elementary Education) to which the member of the Service belongs;

- (e) 'Government' means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of School Education;
- (f) 'recruitment agency' means the Subordinate Services Selection Board, Punjab or Directorate of Recruitment of the Department of School Education or any other recruiting authority as specified by the Government from time to time for the purpose of these rules; and
- (g) 'Service' means the Punjab State Elementary Education (Physical Training Instructor) Service.
- (2) The words and expressions used in these rules, but not defined, shall, respectively, have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- **3. Number and character of posts.-** The Service shall comprise the posts specified in Appendix 'A':

Provided that nothing in these rules shall affect the inherent right of the Government to add or to reduce the number of such posts or to create new posts with different designations and scales of pay, whether permanently or temporarily.

- **4. Appointing authority.** Appointment to the Service shall be made by the District Education Officer on the recommendations of the 'recruiting agency'.
- 5. Pay of members of the Service.— The members of the Service shall be entitled to such scales of pay or pay matrix as may be authorized by the Government of Punjab, Department of Finance, from time to time. The scales of the pay matrix at present in force in respect of the members of the Service are given in Appendix 'A'.
- **6. Method of appointment and qualifications.-** (1) All appointments to the Service shall be made in the manner specified in Appendix 'B':

Provided that if no suitable candidate is available for appointment to the Service by direct appointment, the appointment to the Service may be made by transfer or deputation of a person holding an analogous post under any other State Government, Union Territory or Government of India.

- (2) No person shall be appointed to a post in the Service, unless he possesses the qualifications as specified against the post in Appendix "B".
- (3) No person shall be appointed to the Service by way of direct appointment unless he qualifies the written and physical eligibility test(s) which may include physical or practical test, as specified by the Government, from time to time. The final selection of candidates shall be on the basis of their merit in the combined result of the said test(s).
- (4) There shall be no viva voce or interview.
- 7. **Discipline, punishment and appeal.-**(1) In the matters of discipline, punishment and appeal, the members of the Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The authority empowered to impose penalties as specified in rule 5 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970, and the appellate authority in respect of the members of Service, shall be as per Appendix 'C'.
- 8. Application of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.-(1) In respect of the matters, which are not specifically provided in these rules, the members of the Service shall be governed by the provisions of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, as amended from time to time.
 - (2) The Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, at present in force, are contained in Appendix 'D'.
- 9. Assigning of additional duties or responsibilities.-Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the Government or any other authority empowered in this behalf, in addition to normal duties, may assign the members of the Service any kind of special duties or responsibilities to be specified from time to time.
- **10. Interpretation.-** If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government, in consultation with the Department of Personnel, shall decide the same.

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APPENDIX 'A'

(See rules 1(3), 3 and 5)

Serial Designation		Number of posts		Scale of pay	Scale of the pay for	
No.	of the Post	Permanent* Total			the member of the Service recruited on or	
					after 17.07.2020	
1	2	3	4	5	6	
1.	Physical	2000	2000		29200/- per month	
	Training					
	Instructor					
	(PTI)					

^{*} Need-based district-wise allocation of the posts mentioned above shall be made by the Director.

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APPENDIX 'B'

(See rule 6)

(See rule 6)						
Serial	Designation	Percentage of appointment		Qualification and experience for		
No.	of the post	by		appointment by		
		Direct	Promotion	Direct appointment	pomotion	
		appointment				
1	2	3	4	5	6	
1	Physical	Hundred	-	(i) Should possess	-	
	Training	percent		Graduation from a recognized		
	Instructor			university or institution; and		
	(PTI)			(ii) should possess two years		
				diploma/ Certificate in Physical		
				Education from a recognized		
				university or institution.		
				Or		
				Should possess four years		
				integrated course of Bachelor		
				of Physical Education from a		
				recognized university or		
				institution after 10+2		
				examination.		
				Or		
				Should possess Bachelor's		
				degree with Physical Education		
				as a subject in three years		
				Graduation Course or Bachelor		
				of Physical Education and		
				Sports (BPES) from a		
				recognized university or		
				institution and should possess		
				one year course of Bachelor of		
				Physical Education or Diploma		
				in Physical Education (B.P.Ed/		

D.P.Ed.) or equivalent from a recognized university or institution:

Provided that the candidates who have done 10+2 qualification with two years Diploma or Certificate in Physical Education as Diploma in Physical Education or Certificate in Physical Education (D.P.Ed/ C.P.Ed) or have done this course with other nomenclature shall be considered for appointment into the Service under these rules till the 30th day of September, 2026.

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Appendix 'C' [See rule 7]								
1	Physical	Minor Penalties						
	Training	(i) Censure	District	Director				
	Instructors	(ii) withholding of his promotions;	Education					
	(PTI)	(iii) recovery from his pay of the whole or part of any pecuniary loss caused by him to the Government by negligence or breach or orders;	Officer					
		(iv) withholding of increments of pay without cumulative effect;						
		Major Penalties						
		(v) Withholding of increments of pay with cumulative effect or reduction to a lower stage in time scale of pay for a specified period, with further directions as to whether or not the Government employee will earn increments of pay during the period of such reduction and whether on the expiry of such period, the reduction will or will not have the effect of postponing the future increments of his pay;						
		vi) reduction to a lower time scale of pay grade, post, or service which shall ordinarily be a bar to the promotion of the Government employee to the time scale of pay, grade, post or service						

from which he was reduced, with or without service directions regarding conditions of restoration to the grade or post or service from which the Government employee was reduced and his seniority and pay on such restoration to that grade, post or service;

- **vii**) Compulsory retirement;
- viii) Removal from service which shall not be a disqualification for future employment under the Government.
- ix) Dismissal from service which shall ordinarily be a disqualification for future employment under the Government.

APPENDIX 'D'

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (PERSONNEL POLICIES-1 BRANCH)

Notification

The 4th May, 1994

NO. G.S.R.33/Const./Art.309/94. - In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to article 309 of the Constitution of India, and all other powers enabling in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules regulating the recruitment and general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab, namely:-

1. Short title, commencement and application :-

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994.
- (2) They shall come into force at once.
- (3) They shall apply to all the posts in ¹[Group 'A', Group 'B' and Group 'C'] services in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab.

2. Definitions.- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- a) "appointing authority" means an appointing authority specified as such in the Service Rules made under article 309 of the Constitution of India in respect of any service or Post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab;
- b) "Board" means the Subordinate Service Selection Board, Punjab or any other authority constituted to perform its functions;
- c) "Commission" means the Punjab Public Service Commission;
- d) "direct appointment" means an appointment made otherwise than by promotion or by transfer of a person already in the service of Government of India or of a State Government;
- e) "Government" means the Government of the State of Punjab in the Department of Personnel and Administrative Reforms;
- f) "recognised university or institution" means,
 - i) any university or institution incorporated by law in any of the State of India; or
 - any other university or institution, which is declared by the Government to be recognised university
 or institution for the purposes of these rules;
- g) ¹["Service" means any Group 'A' Service, Group 'B' Service and Group 'C' Service constituted in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab as per scales given in the Appendix;]
- h) "Service Rules" means the service rules made under article 309 of the Constitution of India regulating the recruitment and conditions of service other than the general and common conditions of service of persons appointed to any service or post in connection with the affairs of the State of Punjab; and

Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.115/Const./ Art.309/Amd.(6)/2001, dated 18th December, 2001.

- ¹[i) (i) "War hero" means a defence services personnel, or a para-military forces personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State and has been killed or discharged from service on account of disability suffered by him on or after 1st January, 1999, while fighting in a war declared so by the Government of India, in operations in Kargil or any other sector in J & K in the on going conflict with Pakistan or in any other operations which may be notified by the State Government to have been undertaken for preserving the unity and integrity of the Country; or
 - (ii) a defence service personnel or a para-military forces personnel who was a bona fide resident of Punjab State and was posthumously decorated with Param Vir Chakra, Mahavir Chakra or Vir Chakra; provided that,-
 - (a) In exceptional instances, the cases of such War Heroes may also be covered, with the prior approval of the Department of Personnel who though not *bona fide* residents of Punjab State are yet closely connected to the State of Punjab;
 - (b) In the case of War Heroes, falling in the category (ii) above, the benefits to be given by the State Government will be restricted only to first generation dependent members/next of the kin.

Note:-The Government reserves the right to include any other category of Awardees for the purpose of providing employment to the category of War Heroes, as may be notified.]

3. Nationality, domicile and character of person appointed to the Service.-

- (1) No person shall be appointed to the Service unless he is,-
 - (a) a Citizen of India; or
 - (b) a Citizen of Nepal; or
 - (c) a Subject of Bhutan; or
 - (d) a Tibetan refugee who came over to India before the 1st day of January, 1962 with the intention of permanently settling in India; or
 - (e) a person of Indian origin who has migrated from Pakistan, Burma, Sri Lanka and East African Countries of Kenya, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania (formerly Tanganyika and Zanzibar), Zambia, Malawi, Zaire, Ethiopia and Vietnam with the intention of permanently settling in India:

Provided that a person belonging to any of the categories (b), (c), (d) and (e) shall be a person in whose favour a certificate of eligibility has been given by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.

- (2) A person in whose case a certificate of eligibility is necessary may be admitted to an examination or interview conducted by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, on his furnishing proof that he has applied for the certificate but he shall not be appointed to the service unless the necessary certificate is given to him by the Government of Punjab in the Department of Home Affairs and Justice.
- (3) No person shall be recruited to the service by direct appointment, unless he produces,
 - a) a certificate of character from the principal academic officer of the university, college, school or

¹ Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.34/Const./Art.309/ Amd.(7)/2003, dated 12th July, 2003.

institution last attended, if any, and similar certificates from two responsible persons not being his relatives, who are well acquainted with him in his private life and are unconnected with him in his private life and are unconnected with his university, college, school or institution; and

(b) An affidavit to the effect that he was never convicted for any criminal offence involving moral turpitude and that he was never dismissed or removed from service of any State Government or of Government of India, or of any Public Sector Undertaking.

4. Disqualification .- No person;-

- (a) who has entered into or contracted a marriage with a person having spouse living; or
- (b) who, having a spouse living, has entered into or contracted a marriage with any person shall be eligible for appointment to the Service:

Provided that the Government, if satisfied that such marriage is permissible under the personal law applicable to such person and the other party to the marriage and that there are other grounds for so doing, exempt any person from the operation of this rule.

5. Age.- ¹[(1) No person shall be recruited to the Service by direct appointment, if he is less than eighteen years or is more than thirty seven years of age in the case of technical and non-technical posts on the first day of January of the year immediately preceding the last date, fixed for submission of applications by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be.]

Provided that where different lower and upper age limits have been specifically prescribed for posts in the Service Rules, these limits shall be made applicable for appointment to such posts:

Provided further that the upper age limit may be relaxed upto forty-five years in the case of persons already in the employment of the Punjab Government, other State Government or the Government of India.

Provided further that in the case of candidates belonging to Scheduled Castes and other Backward Classes, the upper age limit shall be such as may be fixed by the Government from time to time.

- (2) In the case of ex-servicemen, the upper age limit shall be such as has been prescribed in the Punjab Recruitment of Ex-servicemen Rules, 1982, as amended from time to time.
- (3) In the case of appointment on compassionate grounds on priority basis, the upper age limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time.
- ²[(4) In the case of appointment of a War-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, the upper age limit shall be such as may be specifically fixed by the Government from time to time]
- ³[5A. Increase in upper age limit. Notwithstanding anything contained in rule 5, on and with effect from the commencement of the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Amendment Rules, 2010, where in any other Service rules, or in Government instructions, the upper age limit for appointment to any Service or for any category or persons, if different from thirty-five years, it shall be deemed to have been increased by two years.]

¹ Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.20/Const/Art.309/Amd.(10) /2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

² Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.81/Const./Art.309/Amd(II)/99, dated 15th November, 1999.

³Rule 5A after rule 5 was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.20/Const./Art.309/Amd.(10) /2010, dated 24th May, 2010.

Qualification etc.- Subject to the provisions of these rules, the number and character of posts, method of recruitment and educational qualifications and experience for appointment to a post or posts in a Service and the departmental examination, if any, shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules made for that Service;

¹{Provided that where appointment of ²[Group 'A' or Group 'B'] non-technical post is offered to a war-hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be graduation from a recognised university. Such person who is offered ²[Group 'A' or Group 'B' or Group 'C'] non-technical post, shall not, however, be required to posses experience of technical or non-technical post at the time of his initial appointment.}

- 7. Probation.- (1) A person appointed to any post in the service shall remain on probation for a period of ⁴[three] years, if recruited by direct appointment and one year if appointed otherwise:
 Provided that.-
 - (a) any period, after such appointment, spent on deputation on a corresponding or a higher post shall count towards the period of probation;
 - (b) in the case of an appointment by transfer, any period of work on an equivalent or higher rank, prior to appointment to the Service, may in the discretion of the appointing authority, be allowed to count towards the period of probation;
 - any period of officiating appointment to the Service shall be reckoned as period spent on probation;
 and
 - (d) any kind of leave not exceeding six months, during or at the end of period of probation, shall be counted towards the period of probation.
 - (2) If, in the opinion of the appointing authority, the work or conduct of a person during the period of probation is not satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, prescribed in Service Rules within a period not exceeding ³[one] and a half years from the date of appointment, it may,-
 - (a) if such person is recruited by direct appointment, dispense with his services, or revert him to a post on which he held lien prior to his appointment to the Service by direct appointment; and
 - (b) if such person is appointed otherwise-
 - (i) revert him to his former post; or
 - (ii) deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of the previous appointment permit.

¹ Proviso was added, vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.81/Const./Art.309/Amd(II)/99, dated 15th November, 1999.

 $^{^2}Amended\ vide\ Punjab\ Government\ Notification\ No.G.S.R. 115/Const./\ Art. 309/Amd. (6)/2001,\ dated\ 18^{th}\ December,\ 2001.$

³Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.1/Const./Art.309/Amd.(14)/2015, dated 23rd February, 2015.

⁴Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.56/Const./Art.309/Amd.(18)/2016, dated 5th September, 2016.

- (3) On the completion of the period of probation of a person, the appointing authority may -
- (a) if his work and conduct has in its opinion been satisfactory -
 - confirm such person, from the date of his appointment or from the date he completes his period of
 probation satisfactorily, if he is not already confirmed; or
 - (ii) declare that he has completed his probation satisfactorily, if he is already confirmed; or
- (b) if his work or conduct has not been in its opinion, satisfactory or if he has failed to pass the departmental examination, if any, specified in the Service Rules -
 - dispense with his services, if appointed by direct appointment or if appointed otherwise revert him
 to his former post, or deal with him in such other manner as the terms and conditions of his
 previous appointment may permit;
 - (ii) extend his period of probation and thereafter pass such order as it could have passed on the expiry of the period of probation as specified in sub-rule (1):

Provided that the total period of probation including extension, if any, shall not exceed three years.

8. Seniority - The seniority inter se of persons appointed to posts in each cadre of a Service shall be determined by the length of continuous service on such post in that cadre of the Service.

Provided that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment who join within the period specified in the order of appointment or within such period as may be extended from time to time by the appointing authority subject to a maximum of four months from the date of order of appointment the order of merit determined by the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, shall not be disturbed:

Provided further that in case a person is permitted to join the post after the expiry of the said period of four months in consultation with the Commission or the Board, as the case may be, his seniority shall be determined from the date he joins the post:

Provided further that in case any person of the next selection has joined a post in the cadre of the concerned Service before the person referred to in the preceding proviso joins, the person so referred shall be placed below all the persons of the next selection who join within the time specified in the first proviso:

Provided further that in the case of two or more persons appointed on the same date, their seniority shall be determined as follows:-

- (a) a person appointed by direct appointment shall be senior to a person appointed otherwise;
- (b) a person appointed by promotion shall be senior to a person appointed by transfer;
- (c) in the case of persons appointed by promotion or transfer, the seniority shall be determined according to the seniority of such persons in the appointments from which they were promoted or transferred; and
- (d) in the case of persons appointed by transfer from different cadres their seniority shall be determined according to pay, preference being given to a person who was drawing a higher rate of pay in his previous appointment; and if the rates of pay drawn are also the same, then by their length of service in these appointments and if the length of service is also the same, an older person shall be senior to a younger person:

¹[Provided further that in the case of persons recruited by direct appointment in the same cadre obtaining equal marks during same selection process, their inter-se-seniority shall be determined on the basis of their age. That is, an older person shall be senior to the younger person.]

Note:- Seniority of persons appointed on purely provisional basis or on ad hoc basis shall be determined as and when they are regularly appointed keeping in view the dates of such regular appointment.

- 9. Liability of members of Service to transfer A member of a Service may be transferred to any post whether included in any other service or not, on the same terms and conditions as are specified in rule 3.17 of the Punjab Civil Service Rules, Volume-I, Part I.
- **10. Liability to serve -** A member of a Service shall be liable to serve at any place, whether within or out of the State of Punjab, on being ordered so to do by the appointing authority.
- 11. Leave, Pension and other matters In respect of pay, leave, pension and all other matters not expressly provided for in these rules, a member of a Service shall be governed by such rules and regulations as may have been or may hereafter be adopted or made by the competent authority.
- 12. Discipline, penalties and appeals (1) In the matter of discipline, punishment and appeals, a member of a Service shall be governed by the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 as amended from time to time.
 - 2) The authority empowered to impose penalties specified in rule 5 of the Punjab Civil Services (Punishment and Appeal) Rules, 1970 and the appellate authority thereunder in respect of the Government employee shall be such as may be specified in the Service Rules.
- **13. Liability for vaccination and re-vaccination -** Every member of a Service shall get himself vaccinated or re-vaccinated when Punjab Government so directs by a special or general order.
- **14. Oath of allegiance -** Every member of a Service, unless he has already done so, shall be required to take oath of allegiance to India and to the Constitution of India as by law established.

¹14A. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Assistant by -Direct Appointment Promotion No person shall be given direct appointment to From amongst the clerks, who have an the post of Senior Assistant under the Punjab experience of working as such for a Government unless he -minimum period of five years. (i) Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and (ii) Qualifies in the competitive test specified by the appointing authority from time to time; and (iii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified. OR Possesses a Computer Information Technology Course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India. (2) The person so appointed as Senior Assistant in terms of the Provisions of sub-rule (1), shall have, before his appointment, ²[passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively,] typewriting on computer to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology, as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minute: Provided that where appointment of Group 'B' non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defence Services or dependent member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualifications to be possessed by such person shall be

Graduate from a recognised University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as Provided in sub-

rule (2).

¹Rule 14A was inserted vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.7/Const./Art.309/Amd.(15)/2015 dated 15th March, 2015. $^2 Amended \ vide \ Punjab \ Government \ Notification \ No. \ GS.R.69/Const/Art.309/Amd. (16)/2015 \ \ dated \ \ 24^{th} \ December, \ \ 2015.$

¹[15. Minimum Educational and other qualifications:-

- (1) (i) No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Clerk under the Punjab Government unless he possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
 - (ii) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.;

(2) The person so appointed as Clerk in terms of the provisions of sub-rule(1), shall have, before his appointment, 2(passed a test in English and Punjabi, respectively, on computer), to be conducted by the Board or the appointing authority or the Department of Information Technology as the case may be, at a speed of thirty words per minute."

Provided that where appointment of Group 'C'non-technical post is offered to a War Hero, who has been discharged from Defence Services or dependent member of his family under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the educational qualification to be possessed by such person shall be Graduate from a recognised University or Institution. However, such person shall not be required to qualify the test in Punjabi type-writing as specified in sub-rule (2).]

¹Rule15 was Substituted, vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.12/Const./Art.309/ Amd.(9)/2009, dated 10th February, 2009.

Rule 15 was amended and sub rule (3) was Omitted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.59/Const./Art.309/Amd.(13) / 2011, dated 17th August, 2011.

²Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No. G.S.R.69/Const./Art.309/Amd.(16)/2015 dated 24th December, 2015.

¹[15A. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer by –

Direct Appointment Promotion

No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Senior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab Government unless he --

- (i) Possesses the Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
- (ii) Qualifies in a Stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) containing 250 words each as follows:-
 - (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
 - (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at the speed of 12 words per minute.
- (iii) The candidates committing not more than 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he/ she qualifies the stenography test in both the languages shall be considered to have qualified the test for appointment as Senior Scale Stenographer".
- (iv) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from a Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India. (i) From amongst the Junior Scale Stenographers, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of one year.

> Provided that if the Junior Scale Stenographer is not available then from amongst the Steno typists, who have an experience of working as such for a minimum period of five years; and

- Qualifies in a stenography test in four paras (two in Punjabi and two in English language) containing 250 words each as follows:-
 - (a) the passage in Punjabi shall be dictated at a speed of 100 words per minute in Punjabi language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at a speed of 20 words per minute; and
 - (b) the passage in English shall be dictated at a speed of 60 words per minute in English language required to be transcribed these (at typewriter/computer) at the speed of 12 words per minute.
- The candidates committing not more than
 4% mistakes in aggregate and only if he /
 she qualifies the Stenography test in both
 the languages shall be considered to have
 qualified the test for promotion as Senior
 Scale Stenographer."

- ¹[16. Minimum Educational and other Qualifications for appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer No person shall be given direct appointment to the post of Steno-typist or Junior Scale Stenographer under the Punjab Government, unless he -
 - (a) Possesses Bachelor's Degree from a recognised University or Institution; and
 - (b) Qualifies a test in Punjabi Stenography to be held by the Board or by the appointing authority at a speed specified by the Government from time to time; and
 - (c) Possesses at least one hundred and twenty hours course with hands on experience in the use of Personal Computer or Information Technology in Office Productivity applications or Desktop Publishing applications from Government recognised institution or a reputed institution, which is ISO 9001, certified.

OR

Possesses a Computer information Technology Course equivalent to 'O' level certificate of Department of Electronics Accreditation of Computer Course (DOEACC) of Government of India.]

2[17. Knowledge of Punjabi Language - No person shall be appointed to any post in any service by direct appointment unless he has passed Matriculation examination with Punjabi as one of the compulsory or elective subjects or any other equivalent examination in Punjabi language, which may be specified by the Government from time to time:

Provided that where a person is appointed on compassionate grounds on priority basis under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government from time to time, the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Matriculation standard or he shall have to qualify a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of six months from the date of his appointment:

Provided further that where educational qualifications for a post in any service are lower than the Matriculation standard, then the person so appointed shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi language equivalent to Middle standard:

Provided further that where a War Hero, who has been discharged from defence services or paramilitary forces on account of disability suffered by him or his widow or dependent member of his family, is appointed under the instructions issued in this behalf by the Government, the person so appointed will not be required to possess aforesaid knowledge of Punjabi language:

Provided further that where a ward of Defence Service Personnel, who is a bona fide resident of Punjab State, is appointed by direct appointment, he shall have to pass an examination of Punjabi Language equivalent to Matriculation Standard or he shall have to qualify a test conducted by the Language Wing of the Department of Education of Punjab Government within a period of two years from the date of his appointment.]

¹Amended vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.12/Const./Art.309/Amd.(9)/2009, dated 10th February, 2009.

²Rule 17 was Substituted vide Punjab Government Notification No.G.S.R.97/Const./Art.309/Amd.(5)/2001, dated 4th September, 2001.

¹[18. Promotion to Group 'A' and Group 'B' Services -

- (1) (a) For promotion to the post as Head of Department would be decided strictly on the basis of meritcum-seniority as per the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. The minimum bench mark for promotion for such post would be 'Very Good'. The officer who is graded as 'Outstanding' would supersede the officer graded as 'Very Good'.
 - (b) For promotion to post falling in Group 'A' other than Head of Department, the minimum benchmark will be 'Very Good' as per the instructions issued by the Government from time to time. There shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
 - (c) For promotion to post falling in Group 'B', the minimum benchmark will be 'Good' and there shall be no supersession on the basis of merit.
- (2) Debarring for consideration for promotion of a Government employee who refuses to accept promotion - In the event of refusal to accept promotion by a member of a service, he shall be debarred by the appointing authority from consideration for promotion for all the consecutive chances which may occur in future within a period of two years from the date of such refusal to accept promotion:

Provided that in a case where the appointing authority is satisfied that a member of a service has refused to accept promotion under the circumstances beyond his control, it may exempt such a member for reasons to be recorded therefor in writing from the operation of this rule.]

19. Power to relax. - Where the government is of the opinion that it is necessary to expedient so to do, it may by order, for reasons to be recorded in writing, relax any of the provisions of these rules with respect to any class or category of persons.

Provided that the provisions relating to educational qualifications and experience, if any, shall not be relaxed.

- 20. Over riding effect The provisions of these rules shall have effect notwithstanding anything contrary contained in any rules for the time being in force for regulating the recruitment and conditions of service for appointment to public service and posts in connection with the affairs of the State.
- Interpretation If any, question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, the Government shall decide
 the same.

"APPENDIX"

(See rule 2)

Group 'A': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay having a maximum of Rs. 11,660 or more; Provided that all existing Class I posts irrespective of the monetary limits of the pay scales shall be placed in Group 'A'.

Group 'B': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 10,640 to

Group 'C': Posts in initial entry revised scales of pay with maximum ranging between Rs. 5,160 to 10,639;

A.S. CHATTHA,

Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab.

 $Appendix \ was \ inserted \ vide \ Punjab \ Government \ Notification \ No.G.S.R.115/Const/\ Art.309/Amd. (6)/2001, \ dated \ 18^{th} \ December, \ 2001.$

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PART III

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (PERSONNEL POLICIES-I BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 20th December, 2016

No.G.S.R. 85/Const./Art.309/Amd.(19)/2016.-In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, further to amend the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, namely:-

RULES

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) (Third Amendment) Rules, 2016.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, in rule 5, in the second proviso, for the words and sign "Punjab Government", the words "Punjab Government or any Board, Corporation, Commission or Authority under it", shall be substituted.

SARVESH KAUSHAL,

Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab.

1166/12-2016/Pb. Govt. Press, S.A.S. Nagar . .

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PART III GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (Personnel Policies-1 Branch)

NOTIFICATION

The 4th October, 2017

No. G.S.R.44/Const./Art.309/Amd.(20)/2017.-In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, namely:--

RULES

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Rules, 2017.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, in rule 7, in sub-rule (3), for the existing proviso, the following proviso shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that the total period of probation including extension, if any, shall not exceed four years, if recruited by direct appointment and three years if appointed otherwise."

KARAN AVTAR SINGH, Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab.

1350/10-2017/Pb. Govt. Press, S.A.S. Nagar

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PART III

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL (Personnel Policies-1 Branch)

NOTIFICATION

The 13th September, 2019

No. G.S.R.31/Const./Art.309/Amd.(21)/2019.— In exercise of the powers conferred by proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in this behalf, the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, namely:-

RULES

- (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) (First Amendment) Rules, 2019.
 - (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in rule 14 A, under column captioned as "Promotion", for the words "five years", the words "four years" shall be substituted.
- 3. In the said rules, in rule 15A, under column captioned as "Promotion", in clause (i) in the proviso, for the words "five years", the words "four years", shall be substituted.

KARAN AVTAR SINGH, Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab.

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PART III

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL

(Personnel Policies-1 Branch) NOTIFICATION

The 28th October, 2022

No. G.S.R.72 /Const./Art.309/Amd.(22)/2022.- In exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to Article 309 of the Constitution of India and all other powers enabling him in this behalf. the Governor of Punjab is pleased to make the following rules, further to amend the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, namely:-

RULES

- 1. (1) These rules may be called the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) (First Amendment) Rules, 2022.
- (2) They shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.
- 2. In the Punjab Civil Services (General and Common Conditions of Service) Rules, 1994, in rule 17, in the first proviso, for the words "Provided that where a person", the following shall be substituted, namely:-

"Provided that no person shall be appointed to any post in Group-'C' service unless he has passed a qualifying test of Punjabi Language equivalent to Matriculation standard with at least fifty per cent marks, to be conducted by respective recruitment agencies in addition to competitive examination. The test of Punjabi Language shall be a mandatory qualifying test and failure to secure a minimum of fifty per cent marks in Punjabi Language will disqualify the candidate for being considered in the final merit list of candidates to be selected irrespective of their scores or marks in other papers of the respective exam:

Provided further that where a person".

VIJAY KUMAR JANJUA,

Chief Secretary to the Government of Punjab.

SEEMA JAIN,

Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Punjab, Department of School Education.